

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3112
ANSWERED ON:10.08.2001
LPT FOR JAGATSINGHPUR, ORISSA
TRILOCHAN KANUNGO

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware that despite the existence of one HPT at Cuttack, DD Metro Channel and twenty-four hours Oriya News Channel are not visible in most parts of Jagatsinghpur district of Orissa;
- (b) if so, whether the Government would consider the long pending suggestion for the installation of one LPT at Jagatsinghpur during the current year, 2001-2002; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a): Prasar Bharati has reported that apart from the coverage provided by the HPT at Cuttack, a Low Power Transmitter, functioning at Tirtol, is also relaying DD Metro Channel programmes for Jagatsinghpur district of Orissa. Prasar Bharati does not operate a 24 hours Oriya News Channel. However, it does operate an Oriya Channel in the satellite mode, programmes of which can be received all over the country by using an appropriate dish antenna system or through the cable network.

(b) & (c): Prasar Bharati does not have any approved scheme at present to set up any TV transmitter at Jagatsinghpur.